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WHEN I BECAME A COLLEGE STUDENT
MY PARENTS HALF FORCED ME TO LIVE BY MYSELF OUTSIDE OF HOME
AND WHEN I GOT A BIT USED TO IT
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IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME, ATSUKI
AN UNTHINK-ABLE VISIT
CAUSED MY LIFE TO CHANGE COMPLETELY

Chapter 1

WHO ARE YOU?
OH C'MON HAVE YOU FORGOTTEN ME?
YOUR BIG SIS
BIG SIS!
!!
HUH? BIG SIS!?
YEAH~
I LEFT HOME WHEN I WAS 16, SO
HAS IT BEEN 9 YEARS?
WHY DID YOU COME HERE ALL OF A SUDDEN!

WHO'S THAT KID
MY DAUGHTER
I NEED TO TALK WITH YOU ABOUT HER
YOU CAN CALL HIM ATSUKI
HELLO, ATSUKI-SAN
YEAH
COULD YOU LET US IN FOR THE TIME BEING?

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WHAT DO YOU WANT TO TALK TO ME ABOUT?
SO?
LOOK AFTER THIS KID
WHAT ARE YOU
OF COURSE I CAN'T
HOW MEAN!!
WHAT A QUICK RES-PONSE!
NO WAY NO WAY NO WAY NO WAY

I HAVE THINGS TO DO TOO
I DON'T HAVE TIME TO LOOK AFTER THAT KID
No!!
RATHER WHAT WILL SHE DO ABOUT SCHOOL!
THAT'S ALL FINE
SHE'S ALREADY ATTENDING THE NEARBY SCHOOL
Right!
WHAT DO YOU MEAN "RIGHT"!!
RESIDES, KASANE CAN TAKE CARE OF HER OWN NEEDS
SO SHE WON'T TROUBLE YOU
YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT THIS LIKE IT'S SIMPLE
BUT THIS IS TOTALLY DIFFERENT FROM TAKING CARE OF A CAT OR A HAMSTER
THAT'S NOT THE PROBLEM HERE!
NO, I MEAN AFTER SO LONG I DID WANT TO SEE YOU BUT YOU HAVE A KID AND NOW YOU WANT ME TO LOOK AFTER HER

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KA-SAN
MOM NEEDS TO TALK WITH ATSUKI JUST THE TWO OF US
COULD YOU GO PLAY OUTSIDE FOR A BIT?

I KNOW I'M FORCING A LOT ON YOU
I KNOW

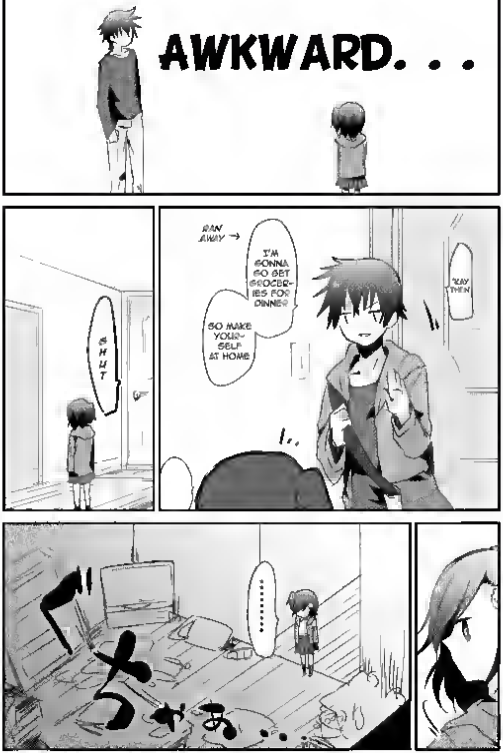
I WORKED HARD BECAUSE I DIDN'T WANT HER TO HAVE ANY BAD MEMORIES BUT
I RAISED HER ALL BY MYSELF UNTIL NOW
THAT KID DOESN'T HAVE A DAD
BUT AT LEAST LISTEN TO WHAT I HAVE TO SAY
BUT I'M AT MY LIMIT
I MET DAD
TO ASK IF THERE WAS ANY WAY HE COULD LOOK AFTER KASANE
BUT HE SAID THERE WAS NO WAY HE COULD ACKNOW-LEDGE THIS
AFTER COMING BACK WITH A CHILD
THE DAUGHTER WHO RAN FROM HOME IS THE SAME AS CUTTING OFF ALL TIES WITH HER FAMILY
OF COURSE

I'LL PAY YOU HER LIVING EXPENSES FOR THE TIME SHE STAYS HERE
PLEASE
YOU'RE THE ONLY ONE LEFT I CAN DEPEND ON
I'M GOING TO MAKE YOU ACCEPT FOR SURE
BUT
COULD YOU LOOK AFTER KASANE?
ACCEPT FOR 2 WEEKS
WELL
IF THAT'S THE CASE
I CAN'T REFUSE

THANKS TO YOU I CAN SUR-VIVE- THANKS ♪
SHE
A MAN WON'T GO BACK ON HIS WORD, RIGHT?
HUH
YOU JUST SAID YES!
YOU SAID IT!
FIRST PROPERLY TAKE CARE OF KASANE'S MEALS
HO HO HO HO HO HO
THE DAYS WHEN I WAS BULLIED...
SHE HASN'T CHANGED AT ALL
YOU CAN'T GIVE HER CUP RAMEN OR CON-VENIENCE STORE BENTOS EVERY DAY?
SINCE ELEMEN-TARY SCHOOLERS NEED TO EAT WELL
NOW THAT THAT'S BEEN DECIDED
LET'S MAKE A FEW PROM-ISES BEFORE YOU LOOK AFTER HER

YOU MUST ALREADY KNOW WHAT'LL HAPPEN...
LET HER EVEN CATCH A COLD.
YEP
TAKE CARE OF KASANE'S HEALTH!
SECOND
YOU PROBABLY WON'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT HOUSE-WORK
BECAUSE THAT KID IS AMAZING
HERE, THIS IS EVERY-THING YOU'LL NEED!
WELL, IF IT DOESN'T WORK THEN JUST WATCH OVER HER
OKAY
ATSUKI'S GOING TO LOOK AFTER YOU SO
LISTEN TO HIM WELL OKAY?
YES
AH KA-SANE

I'LL CONTACT YOU AGAIN-
'KAY THEN
I'M COUNTING ON YOU
IT FEELS LIKE I JUST MADE A HUGE MISTAKE...!
IS THERE ANYTHING YOU WANT TO DRINK?
SUDDENLY JUST THE TWO OF US
WHAT DO YOU WANT JUICE?
NO
PLEASE DO NOT WORRY ABOUT ME
AH OKAY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RAN AWAY →
I'M GONNA GO GET GROCERIES FOR DINNER
SO MAKE YOURSELF AT HOME
"KAY THEN
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I WAS GOING TO AT LEAST ASK HER FOR HER FAVORITE FOODS
WHAT SHOULD I BUY...
WELL... A GROWING KID SHOULD EAT MEAT MEAT!
I'LL JUST MAKE A SALAD
AND I SHOULD ALSO BUY VEGGIES
THINK ABOUT HER NUTRITIONAL BALANCE. GOT IT.
IT'S TIRESOME BEING ALONE WITH A YOUNG CHILD...
HOW AM I SUPPOSED TO DO THIS?
WITH THAT ASIDE
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WAAA I WANNA DRINK JUICE!
I THOUGHT KIDS WOULD BE LIKE THIS
WEIRD
NIECE
AT THAT TIME
IS SHE JUST WELL-MANNERED.
TOTALLY DIFFERENT FROM HER MOM
HO HO
HO HO
VEGGIES ARE EXPENSIVE !!

I'M BACK
OHH!?
THE HOUSE GOT TIDIED UP!!
I CLEANED UP
MOM SAID
"HE'S PROBABLY LIVING SLOPPILY
SO HELP HIM WITH THIS AND THAT"
WHOAA.
I PUT THE IMPOR-TANT LOOKING THINGS IN HERE
TRASH MOUNTAIN
IS THAT SO
ALTH-OUGH THAT'S TRUE

PLEASE JUST BEAR WITH THIS FOR TODAY
IT'S OKAY
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AND THERE'S NO FOOD YOU HATE?
WELL, THAT'S A RELIEF
IT'S AWKWARD

ATE FOOD
REFRESHED
AND TOOK A BATH
BATH
DO YOU KNOW HOW TO USE THE SHOWER?
YES
AND THE WATER'S NOT HOT?
IT'S OKAY
I'LL LEAVE YOUR TOWEL HERE
ARE THERE ANY SPARE BLANKETS AT HOME?
SORRY ELF
ARE YOU ALRIGHT WITH SLEEPING ON MY BED?
NO I WILL SLEEP ON THE FLOOR
YOU CAN'T SLEEP ON THE FLOOR!
BIG SIS, YOU WOULD KILL ME! //

OKAY
IF ANYTHING HAPPENS TELL ME
KAY THEN
GREAT

FOR SOME REASON I'M REALLY TIRED.
NOTHING MUCH HAPPENED TODAY RIGHT?
FOR NOW I SHOULD SLEEP ON THIS
CUSHION
BLANKET
BUT I CAN'T COOK AT ALL
IT'D DEFINITELY BE BEST TO MAKE DINNER BY HAND
SHOULD I TRY AND MAKE SOMETHING TOMORROW...
IT DOESN'T SEEM LIKE SHE'S A PICKY EATER

I THOUGHT SHE WAS BEING COLD TO ME, BUT..
IF SHE'S SO EXPRESSIONLESS THEN I CAN'T TELL WHAT SHE'S THINKING
THESE 2 WEEKS
HAAA...
HOW TROUBLESOME

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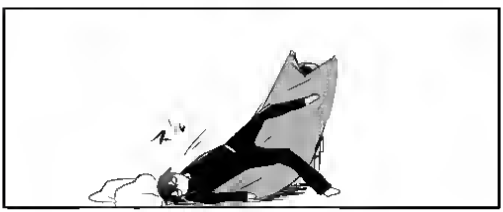


IT'S MORNING

UWAAAAAAAAA
IT'S ONLY 7
I'M SLEEPY
HELLO
HEL
THANKS FOR DOING THE LAUNDRY!?
I'M SAYING IT'S NOT OKAY WITH ME!!
BUT YOU DON'T HAVE TO DO MINE!
IT'S OKAY
I'LL PUT IT BACK
I'LL DO IT

※ THE MC'S NAME (KOMIYA) HAS THE CHARACTER FOR FOR NEKO (CAT) IN IT

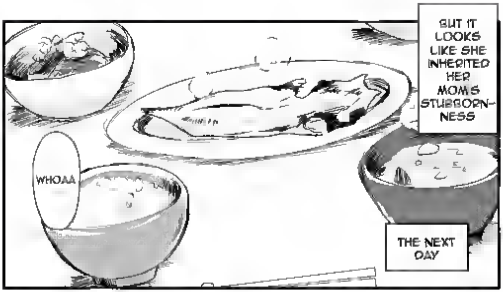
THAT DIDN'T EVEN HAPPEN?
DON'T CALL ME THAT
AND AFTER NEKO THOUGHT HE SOME-HOW WOULDN'T BE LATE
AH HA HA HA HA HA HA
HA HA HA HA HA HA
SO IT SEEMS LIKE YOU'LL HAVE IT ROUGH FOR A WHILE?
YEAH REALLY RAD
IT WAS AWKWARD WHEN WE WERE EATING DINNER TOO
SHE DIDN'T SAY A WORD
BUT I'M EVEN MORE CLUE-LESS WITH HER
I CAN'T TELL WHAT KIDS ARE THINKING ANYWAY,
I GUESS YOU COULD CALL HER A QUIET KID
LOOKING AFTER A KID IS SUPER TROUBLE-SOME
WELL YOU ARE LOOKING AFTER A KID

WELL YEAH BUT..
DON'T YOU THINK SHE'S CUTE?
THINK POSITIVELY
DID SHE NOT WASH MY UNDERWEAR...
AND YOUR NIECE?
THIS IS A HARD BUT RARE EXPERIENCE

I'M BACK
I NEED TO FIND A TOPIC
ABOUT WHAT TO TALK ABOUT
I GUESS I'M GETTING MENTALLY EXHAUSTED
HAHAHA WORRY ABOUT IT WORRY

AH
SO YOU TOOK A BATH
OH
DIN-NER
DID YOU MAKE IT!?
YES

I THOUGHT MY NIECE WAS TOTALLY DIFFERENT FROM HER MOM


BUT IT LOOKS LIKE SHE INHERITED HER MOM'S STUBBORN-NESS
WHOAA
THE NEXT DAY

KASANE WON'T BE A BOTHER
SO THAT'S WHAT SHE MEANT
YOU'RE AMA-ZING
I ALSO THOUGHT THIS YESTER-DAY BUT

YES
SHALL WE EAT?

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THIS IS DELI-CIOUS!
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IS THAT SO
BUT STILL NO CONVER-SATION
I NEED TO THINK OF A TOPIC ! BUT WHAT AGE GRADE SCHOOLERS INTERESTED IN...
HMM
I ALSO STUDIED FROM BOOKS
SO SHE EVEN KNOWS HOW TO COOK
OH... DID YOU LEARN TO COOK FROM YOUR MOM?
YES

DO YOU LIKE BELL PEPPER AND BEEF STIR-FRY?
ATSUKI DO YOU
Y, YEAH
HOW'D YOU KNOW?
ESPER?
AH THAT'S RIGHT
WE LIKED A LOT OF THE SAME FOODS
BECAUSE MOM LIKES IT
IT'S MIIINE
WHEN WE WERE BORED AT DINNER WE'D FIGHT
BUT I NEVER WON

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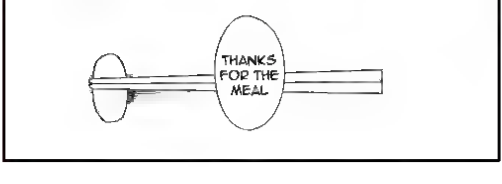

I WAS ABLE TO GET HERE REALLY EARLY TODAY, BUT
I'M GONNA BE A LITTLE LATER TOMORROW
SO...
IT'S OKAY
I'LL WAIT!
THEN
TOMORROW LET'S EAT TOGETHER AS WELL
YES

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